

June 2, 2006 Update

Sonoma 101 Widening Project

Caltrans closed four lanes on Steele Lane at the undercrossing with Highway 101, in downtown Santa Rosa.

Now, westbound Steele Lane has one through-lane and one left-turn lane. Likewise, eastbound Steele Lane has one through-lane and one left-turn lane.

The closure will be in place for nearly two years, as Caltrans works at widening the overpass.

Caltrans recommends that motorist plan alternative routes while driving in the area. At the very least, plan for extra time to make the trip.

On June 7, crews will saw cut the bridge at Steele Lane overnight. This is part of the superstructure demolition taking place at Steele from June 5 to June 20. After that, crews will excavate at the footing and drive piles at the abutment. On the mainline, the new lanes are being constructed from now, through mid-month.

Before the morning commute begins on Wednesday, June 7, Caltrans will have closed one-through lane and one left turn lane on westbound College Avenue. Caltrans will have also closed one through lane on eastbound College Avenue.

After the closures have been in place, westbound College Avenue will have one through-lane and one left-turn lane. Likewise, eastbound College Avenue will have one through-lane and one left-turn lane.

The closure will be in place for nearly two years, as Caltrans works at widening the overpass overhead.

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Please note that the concurrent closures of College and Steele Lane will also increase traffic on other nearby city streets.

Caltrans plans to begin work on the Prince Memorial Greenway (Santa Rosa Creek). Work is tentatively scheduled for June 15 and will involve the closure of the bicycle path for a period of approximately two years. Signs will direct pedestrians and bicyclists to the pedestrian overcrossing.

Caltrans will close the Third Street off-ramp from northbound Highway 101 on June 15. Motorists who use this ramp to access downtown Santa Rosa will need to use alternative ramps.

False work construction for Third Street will begin June 12.